trees in Bell's yard, not dreaming of any danger, while the family were preparing breakfast for them. The rebels, commanded by the aforesaid Witcher, suddenly came in sight and the alarm was instantly given. The poor fellows tried to save themselves by flight, being closely pursued by the rebels, who were shooting at them and charging on

them at a terrible rate. house to the mountain, and the fugitives ran into this valley and would doubtless have succeeded in getting away in a piece of woods near the valley if the rebels had not cut them off from it. The chase lasted for about three-quarters of a mile, and all the men got away with the exception of 11, 10 of whom were killed and one wounded, as they ran up the valley. The first I shall mention as being killed was Calvin Cartrell. He was shot in the breast, and as he lay upon the ground writhing in terrible agony



SHOOTING UNION MEN.

of pain he begged them not to kill him, but seeing that they were determined to take his life he requested them to allow him a little time to pray. They abruptly denied his request, and at once commenced beating him with the butts of their guns until they had knecked his brains out, and then thrust their bayonets through his lifeless body. John Sparks was shot in the head with a musket-ball, which completely tore the top of his head off, leaving his brains exposed. beat his head into the earth breaking his arms and bruising his body in a shocking manner, while he continued to beg as long as he could speak for them to spare his life. Elijah Gentry was shot in the breast, which killed him instantly. He had no time to implore for mercy at the hands of his murderers, which, of course, they would not have listened

HOT PURSUIT AFTER HIS BLOOD. Jacob Lyons was shot in the breast, which immediately extinguished the flaming light of life. He fell into a creek, where he soon breathed his last, and his murderers left his body lying in the water.

B. Blackburn was shot in the shoulder, and being badly wounded he fell to the ground. The rebels then beat his brains out with clubs, broke his arms, and bruised his body in a terri-

Preston Prnett was shot through the breast, which wounded him severely. He begged them to permit him to pray, and requested them to send word to his wife and children, and inform them in regard to his death. But he might as well have talked to the winds, for while he was speaking to them they knocked his brains out with the butts of their guns.

The rebel murderers now went back to the house, taking James Bell, who was an old bachelor and considerably over the conscript age, away from his house about 100 yards, where one of the rebels prepared to shoot him. When the old man perceived that the villain was going to shoot him, he ran up to the monster and placed his arms around his neck, which prevented him from shooting. But soon another rebel murderer ran up and shot him. The old man fell upon the ground, and his murderers caught hold of him and laid his head upon a rock. They then took another rock and beat his brains out with it; and not being yet content, they got rocks and threw them upon his body. Mrs. Bell, the wife of David Bell, seeing they were going to murder her brother in law, went out and commenced interceding for him. Two of the ruffians approached her and began to punch her with their guns, and drove her back to the house, threatening to shoot her if she offered to speak again in his behalf. William Sparks | fore he could make his escape also belonged to the company of stampeders, but, being sick, he was in the house when the excitement occurred in the yard, and he asked Mrs. Bell to conceal him. She immediately raised a plank from the kitchen-floor, and he crept under the kitchen, where he remained putil the rebels had finished their bloody work and returned to burn the house, which they first commenced by piling up clothes in the center of the floor, and setting them on fire. just over the cellar where the sick man had been concealed. The clothes not burning fast enough, they procured a straw-bed, and, placing it on the floor, they put a chunk of fire into it; the smoke began to ascend in clouds, when they were compelled to go out into the front yard to obtain fresh air. There were two doors to the kitchen, and the wind passing through closed the door next to the rebels, which gave Sparks an opportunity

TO MAKE HIS ESCAPE FROM THE HOUSE. He crept out from the cellar through the smoke, and went through the back yard about 10 steps from the house and concealed himself | guns. They hanged him two or three times ununder some dry weeds and vines in the garden, | til he was nearly dead, and would then cut him where he remained until the buildings were | down. This merciless and inhuman treatment consumed, suffering intensely from the terrible | was exhibited toward him in the presence of

The rebels now went up the valley among fields and go to her father's house, telling him | away from the house and murder him. when he got to the bouse her father would conduct him to a place of safety. She said all of the family would at once know her bonnet, and that would furnish them sufficient evidence that he was not a traitor.

Sparks went on as the kind young lady directed him, and was concealed and saved; but he had been so terribly frightened that he did not recover his proper faculties of mind for several days. The horrid scenes he witnessed on that dreadful day surely can never be erased from his memory until death shall have closed his earthly existence.

A man by the name of Madison had been badly wounded in the beginning of the affray, and the rebels, thinking he was dead, left him lying in the yard, and when the house was burning, some clothes were thrown upon him, and saved him from any farther notice. When the rebels went off to rob the dead bodies of the men whom they had slaughtered. Miss Morrison. Mrs. Bell, and one of her little boys, and a small girl, carried the wounded man off about 150 yards. When they saw the rebels returning they laid him down and started back, stopping on their way back at a mill branch to wash the blood off of their hands, which had pot on them while they were carrying the wonuded man.

The rebels came along, meeting them and asking them where they had taken that man. Miss Morrison told them, and started on with Col. Witcher toward the place where they had laid Madison down,

BEGGING ELOQUENTLY FOR HIS LIPE

him, as he would soon be in hell anyhow.

hat, boots, and coat taken from him, and he captured. Bozen said to them : was then made to walk barefooted through the snow to the town of Ashville, in North Carowhen he was released by the Yankees and re-

A man by the name of Harris was wounded in one of his thighs and in the knee of his other leg. He crawled to a log and burrowed There is a small valley leading from Bell's | under the leaves, pulling some brush and a large poke-bush over him. Here he remained until the neighbors collected in the evening to ook upon the scene of the dreadful slaughter and house-burning, when he called to them. They immediately went to him, assisted him n leaving his dreary abode, and kindly took

> After the horrible massacre, the rebels returned to the smoking ruins of Bell's house and exhibited the butts of their guns to the women, which were covered with the blood and brains of their slaughtered victims up to the gunlocks. They also displayed their bloody bayonets, saying, "We are the fellows to kill Lincolnites and Yankees." They boasted amazingly, and seemed to be in the finest sort of spirits at the idea of having murdered a parcel of innocent and helpless men. After they had completed their work of murder and houseburning, they held a council with the rebel citizens, who told them that they were in a strong Union country, and for 15 miles to the Watauga River, where the rebels were then going, they would pass through a section of country altogether inhabited by Union people. The rebels determined to take no prisoners, but to kill all they captured, and this determination they strenuously adhered to; for when they arrived at the house of a man by the name of Commodore Stone, who was 56 years of age, they shot him down in his own yard. They shot him twice, and then ran their bayonets through his body. Some of these fiends then struck him on the head with the butts of their guns until they mashed his head in a horrible manner.

> They went on to the house of William McKinney, where they found a man by the name of William Bird. They took him out of the house into the yard, and

SHOT HIM TWICE

killing every man, old and young, that had young men at whom the rebels were so enraged, the misfortune of falling into their hands, just and destroyed his property. Old Thomas Heathbecause they had been represented as Lincoln- | erly and his wife were then taken and hanged ites by a parcel of vile rebel citizens. Many for a short time, in order to make them tell men were badly wounded, but succeeded in where their sons were, but this they could not making their escape by getting into the woods. do, for doubtless they were as ignorant as to like the accomplished and brutal murderer that | were themselves. Two of Heatherly's daughhe was, he boasted of the infamous exploits | ters were forced to go with the company into that he and his ruffin followers had killed 21 Union men in the course of one day and night. | they entirely failed to ascertain anything in left Carter County soon after they perpetrated | were so ardently thirsting. When Heatherly's charm them with their eloquence about the | monstrous massacre of Union men in Carter County. The rebels in the State of Virginia, throughout the whole period of the rebellion, entertained the Wiley Royal was shot in the shoulder and most malignant feelings of animosity toward back, and when he fell to the ground one the people of East Tennessee, and these feelings of the rebel demons took a fence-stake and were practically exemplified by the infamous East Tennessee from the famous hot-bed of rebellion for the purpose of murdering Union people, burning their houses, and robbing their

When Witcher left Carter County he was soon succeeded by a base, despicable villain by the name of R. C. Bozen, who proved to be an exact counterpart to his blackhearted predecessor in every species of iniquity.

CHAPTER XL.

Bozen being a citizen of Grayson County, Va., of his forehead, killing him instantly. at the commencement of the rebellion jumped numan feeling. When they came to Carter County they said they had been sent to the Counties of Sullivan, Carter and Johnson to Carter County they appeared to have no desire their houses and robbing their families of what little provisions they might have to keep to describe Bozen and his thieves:

Bozon's rogues prowl about in dark nights: Killing and stenling they call Southern rights; They rob our houses, they plunder and press, And frequently take a lady's fine dress.

This gang came into Carter County about the 1st of December, 1863, and about the first thing they did after their arrival was to murder a man named William Thompson. After Witcher and his followers had left the County, there being no other soldiers about, some of the men who had been sconting for some time concluded to go to their homes and work a while, Thompson was one of the men who concluded to leave the mountains for a short time at least. He was gathering corn, and had already brought one load of it to his barn, when he saw Bozen and his men approaching, and be-

HE WAS, UNFORTUNATELY, CAPTURED by them and taken to Elizabethton, where he was confined in jail for two or three days. He was at length taken out, placed on a mule, with neck. One of the rebels led the mule while another held to the rope, and in this manner he was conducted back to his home in the Greasy Cove, a distance of 17 miles, where he was closely guarded for three days, with the rope still around his neck. During the time these rebel fiends remained at his house they

The idea of taking Thomas to his own house to punish and torture him, proved at once the base and degraded character of the villain who participated in murdering him.

robbed his family of all they possessed.

This was a refinement of cruelty which Bozen and his mercenary scullions were quite capable of devising. Before they killed him he was punished and abused in every possible manner. They would make him sit down in a chair, and would then knock him out of it with their his wife and children, who were begging these ruffians all the time to have mercy and to detheir murdered victims for the purpose of sist from inflicting such intolerable punishstripping them of their clothing. Miss Eliza | ment upon him who was so near and dear to beth Morrison, who lived in the neighborhood, them. But, alas, the petitions failed to touch and was at Bell's bouse during the whole time | any cord of sympathy in the hearts of these concealed, and told him to put it on, and there- | hearts could suggest, until at last they got tired by most admirably disguised his sex. She of inflicting punishment on him in the pres-

> They mounted their horses, and taking hold of the rope which was around his neck they drove him on before them through creeks and mudholes, and over a very rough road until they arrived at the residence of old Thann Brown, who was one of the infamous scoundrels that directed Witcher and his gang of murderers to Bell's house. He was taken on a short distance farther toward the back part of Brown's farm, where his murderers

> SHOT FIVE HOLES THROUGH HIM. and then left their victim weltering in his blood; and when his disconsolate wife, followed by her little fatherless children, went to get his body to consign it to its last abode, it surely must have been an awful spectacle for them to see the inanimate form of him who was dearer to them than anyone else in all the wide world.

mangled and torn with bullets.

I was now busily engaged in recruiting for the 13th Tenn, Cav., and had to observe a good deal of caution in order to avoid Bozen's men. I had no sort of difficulty in obtaining recruits. as the men were very anxious to get away, but my fear of being unable to conceal them until I could get ready to start gave me great uneasiness of mind. And at this particular juncture it appeared as if the fates were working against me, for I had enlisted 45 men to go into the Federal service and had them concealed in a camp far out in the mountains, where I knew there would be no danger of the rebels discovering them by any fair means. Just at this time the rebels captured two very imprudent men who belonged all the way. Witcher asked her if the to the 13th regiment, who were lurking about wounded man wanted water. She told him be | their homes when they ought to have been at did. Witcher then told his men not to kill their posts in the regiment. The two men referred to were brothers and were citizens of Car-The rebels now left him, and when they left | ter County, and their names were William and the neighborhood Madison was carried to Alexander Matherby. They both knew where Thomas Green's house, which was close by, the men were, for they had been at the camp where he remained for four months until he | themselves, and both of them designed going

tured by the North Carolina Home Guards, his | not feel afraid to trust them after they were "If you know where there are any camps in the mountains where the scouts are stay-

lina, where he was detained for four months, | ing, and will direct me to them, you shall be immediately released." This proposition at once met the decided approbation of these two vile traitors, for they straightway conducted Bozen and his men to the place where the men were stationed in their remote and solitary encampment.

It was about midnight when Bozen and his men surrounded the camp, and most of the poor men were wrapped in profound slumber, not dreaming for a moment of the fearful destiny which was now confronting them. THE REBELS COMMENCED FIRING

wounding several and capturing 21 of the unsuspecting Union men. One of the men was so badly wounded that he died in a few days. He was a Federal soldier who had been captured by the rebels and imprisoned, but had made his escape into the mountains, and no doubt was now indulging the fond hope of soon being permitted to meet his friends again, from whom he had been for some time separated by the fortunes of war. The men who were captured by the rebels on this occasion were taken to Elizabethton and

far removed from perfect idiocy. He had never a grand windup at Appomattox. fired a gun in his life. The reason why the rebels determined to kill him was principally rebels. Consequently, when the Indians were | can defeat pension legislation for them. sent into Carter County and assigned to the control and management of Robert Tipton, (who was a son of Isaac P. Tipton, a citizen of orains, and then went on in their bloody march, | house of Thomas Heatherly, the father of the When Witcher arrived at Elizabethton, the whereabouts of their sons as the rebels the mountains to hunt for their camp, but

ABUSE OF THEIR SISTERS,

they declared they would kill Tipton whenever they could get an opportunity; and in this respect their design was shortly afterward accomplished. They collected together some of their scouting friends, and went one night to his father's residence, where Robert Tipton was staying while he was engaged in his military operations in Carter County. When they arrived at the house one of the party called Bob Tipton to the window, and by relating a very plausible story to him they induced him to come out in the road immediately opposite the house, and just as soon as he got into the road he was firmly seized by several men and taken out to the back part of his father's farm, where he was killed by being shot with two bails, one of which passed through his breast The pugnacious and redoubtable Capt. R. C. | and the other one struck him about the center

When Bozen and his men got young Heathahead and used all his energies to promote its erly into their clutches, they doubtless conultimate success. The company he commanded | sidered it a splendid opportunity to avenge was composed of men whom he had collected to- the death of Bob Tipton by taking the life of gether in Grayson County, and who, as well as an innocent boy, just because he happened to their leader, seemed to be entirely destitute of be a brother of the two Heatherlys who were concerned in the killing of Tipton.

The men who escaped from the camp had a very serious time of it, for it was raining and catch conscripts; but while they remained in sleeting, and the weather was extremely cold. Many of them left their hats, shoes, and pantawhatever to engage in any other business but | loons, and went some six or seven miles before that of murdering Union men and plundering | they pretended to stop, and quite a number of them were badly frostbitten.

There were four Federal soldiers in jail them from starving. The following verse of a | when these men were captured in their camp? song which was composed by a scouter in the and on the very night of the capture we had mountains of Carter County serve pretty well | been planning a scheme to release them from their imprisonment, and had fixed on the next night to undertake our project for the release of these soldiers, but Bozen and his men defeated our arrangements and spoiled our anticipated sport.

The men who were captured on this occasion by the rebels were confined in jail for a few days. They were then taken out, their hands tied together, and marched off in a row of two and two, the whole company being joined together with one rope, which passed along between them. In this way they were marched to Bristol, a distance of 25 miles. Some of these men were thinly clad, and the weather being very cold, and they having to wade the creeks and branches, they came very near freezing to death while they were on the

But the whole number that the rebels started with did not arrive at Bristol, for when they got to the place they called the "Boneyard' they untied a prisoner by the name of John H. Blevins, and conducted him up the lonely hollow to murder him. He implored them not to his feet tied under it, and a rope around his kill him, as he was guilty of no crime which should deserve such a fate. They then said: 'We are going to kill you because you are a bush whacker." To which false accusation he replied imme-

diately, saying: "I have never shot at a man in all my life, and I have never knowingly wronged any person; therefore, if you kill me, you will kill an innocent man." One of his murderers then coolly said to him: Well, then, if you have told us the truth you

need not be afraid to die!" They then shot him three times in the breast, and after untying his hands, taking off his boots, and placing his hat over his face, they started on after the balance of their prisoners. Some citizens covered his body over slightly, and after remaining where he had been killed for 10 days, his friends went and removed his body and gave it decent sepulcher. He was said to be a good man and

A GOOD CITIZEN, but he had been reported by some rebel citizens who were prejudiced against him, and that was entirely sufficient in Bozen's estima-

tion to have him put to death. Bozen's murderers next captured a man by the name of Pritchard. He was a young man, of the dreadful excitement, procured a lady's implacable demons, for they continued to tor- and had been sconting for some time, endeavordress, took it to the garden where Sparks was | ture him in every way which their wicked | ing to keep out of the way of the rebel soldiers. The two Naves, who lived on the Watauga River, both being violent rebels, used all their | calling his attention to the fact that the Na- 1st. then told him to walk along slowly across the ence of his family, and determined to take him influence against him, as they did against tional Council of Administration. Grand Army every Union man who had the misfortune of of the Republic has decided to discontinue the being captured by these desperadoes.

> days, and was then taken out and driven about | tional organization is concerned, the locking a mile from Elizabethton before three of Bozen's ruffians, who rode along behind him on their horses. They took him into a small thicket of bushes about 100 yards off from the main road and shot him through the head, breast, and bowels. One of these fiends then took up a large club and struck him across the forehead, crushing his head perfectly flat. They then left him and rode up the road laughing and talking as if the bloody tragedy in which they had just been participating had afforded them the most pleasant and agreeable diversion. He was killed about 12 o'clock in the day, and his mangled body remained where | many members of that organization who do it had been struck down until about 12 o'clock | not approve of the action of the Council of Adthe next day, when his aged mother, accompanied by a few friends, removed the body of her murdered son, in order to bestow upon him the last sad rites.

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PENSION-HATERS.

Some Views Expressed by Comrades in All Parts of the Country.

J. C. Ferreld, Altoona, Pa., has this to say regarding pension-haters: "Reading in your valuable paper a letter written by Comrade R. B. Sigafoose, will say said letter meets my heartiest approval. The blatant, loud-mouthed ex-rebel Brigadiers are now in the Congress of a country that they tried their best to destroy, and a Government that was liberal enough to and charging on the camp, and succeeded in return them to citizenship, which no other Government on the face of the earth would have done, but would have exiled them and confiscated their lands. Now their old blatant braggadocio is the same as it was in 1861, when their boast was that one Southern gentleman could whip three Northern mudsills; but the same mudsills pushed their braggart lies down their throats with bayonets and bullets. They could only fight behind intrenchments, with nothing but their ears sticking out of the ground for a Yankee to shoot at. I defy them to point to one single battlefield upon open ground, with put in jail, where they were detained for sev- | equal numbers, in which they were not whipped eral days. In the meantime, however, one of out of their boots. But, comrades, let them the prisoners was taken out of jail and shot. | howl; it is only the old rebel yell. They His name was Thomas Heatherly, and he think it will strike terror into the hearts of the was nothing but a boy, being only 17 years of veterans. But they have heard it before, and age. And the worst of all was he was exceed- did not faint. Keep up courage and keep in ingly stupid and simple; indeed, his general line, and remember we had two Bull Runs, but ignorance at all times indicated that he was not | we had an Antietam and Gettysburg after, and "So, comrades, keep your ammunition dry

until 1896; then take good aim, fire low, make on account of the terrible malice they enter- every shot count. Yet, comrades, it is pretty tained toward his two brothers, who had from | hard to think that such men as Buck Kilgore, the beginning of the rebellion done everything | the brave and valiant warrior on widows' prithey possibly could to obstruct and defeat the vate pension bills, whose husbands and sons rebel cause, which, of course, did not fail to were killed in battle or died in Southern secure for them the extreme hatred of the prison pens, helpless victims of rebel hatred, "Oh! great and noble Kilgore, your name will be handed down to posterity with equal

infamy with that of Benedict Arnold. I won-Carter County,) Tipton, in the plenitude of his der, comrades, if Kilgore, Antony & Co. are in the breast. When Bird fell they beat out his brief authority, conducted the Indians to the scions of the F. F.'s of Texas? You all know that it is a notorious fact that Texas was settled by renegades from Mexico, and cutthroats and escaped criminals from the United States, who usually left between two suns, fleeing from outraged justice. But, comrades, they are fit representatives of a people descended from such

"Is it any wonder that the blackest treasonable act of the whole war was consummated in Texas by Twiggs at San Antonio, Feb. 16, 1861? This diabolical act of treason is the most infamous in the history of America. Are these Witcher and his gang of thieves and murderers | regard to the young men for whose blood they | the men to say whether the veterans who stood by the Government in its darkest hours he outrages alluded to, and I suppose they re- two older sons heard about the treatment of are to have a pension in their old age or not? turned to their rebel associates in Virginia to their father and mother, and also about the I think the American people will decide very differently. I think our Commander-in-Chief ought to look into the antecedents of these two men, and see if they are descended from the renegades from Mexico or the cuttbroats us hear your rifle-shots all along the line."

> DESERTERS AND PENSIONS. that there were 250,000 deserters from the Union | than in the male. army during the late war. It would be internow drawing pensions. Now, I can truthfully say that among all of my soldier acquaintances, both in and out of the G.A.R., I fail to know of a single one drawing a pension that don't possess an honorable discharge. I would like to hear from others on this subject. I am not of honor."

and their allies, the Northern Copperheads, are calling a halt on pensions and wish to economize, suggests that they drop the river and harbor appropriations, and let the Senators and Representatives who die at Washington be peal all existing pension laws and pass one placing everybody on an equality, from General tariff laws remain as they are now; let the the far-northern regions where it lives. U. S. Treasury issue all the money, and discontinue National or State banks, and substitute for them banks of deposit in postoffices; control of railroads and telegraphs to be in the He thinks this would reduce expenses.

Ill., says that the Confederate Brigadiers flesh. in Congress are living off of the bounty of the Nation they so earnestly sought to destroy, while their subaltern hosts are feeding with the swine, eating busks and lamenting their helpless condition. He thinks that "if the nation can, without prejudice to its future liberties and prosperity, endure the pensioning of the Confederate Brigadiers, by a system of placing them in positions of power, honor and trust, legislative, judicial, and executive, then, indeed, can it also afford to pay a pension to all surviving, maimed and helpless soldiers of the rebel armies, and thus avoid the necessity for those noisy and invidious hat talkings for their edification. We are commanded to 'do good to those that hate us'; 'bless those that curse us,' and 'pray for them that despitefully use us.' Here | York City and other places. is an opportunity to re-enact the symposium of breaking a few loaves of bread, feed the hungered multitudes, and then take up carloads of nationally vitalized fragments.'

A. Zimmer, Commander of Post 586, Yorkville, Ind., late a private 52d Ind., thinks that the war is over, but that every Grand Army man and every Confederate veteran who served at the front should discountenance such offensive journals as the Nashville American, and quit sending men to make our laws who are opposed to the veterans. He knows that the men who fought in the rebel army are not opposed to pensions. If the pension system is wrong, repeal every law regarding it. But if it is right, let the Government pay the pensioners and not shrink like a coward from its duty.

THE GRANT COTTAGE. Proposed Abandonment of the Historic Building on Mt. McGregor. [Buffalo Enquirer.]

salary of the custodian of the cottage after Pritchard was confined in jail for several | April 30 next, which means, as far as the Naup and abandonment of this historic cottage in which Gen. Grant passed his last hours. Mr. Orr thinks this action is a shame. The expense of maintaining the cottage was but one cent for each member of the Order in good standing for the entire time, three years, since the property was turned over to the Grand Army of the Republic by Mr. Drexel. The cottage has been visited by over 50,000 people

from all parts of the world. Mr. Clarke is at a loss what to do. He does not want the cottage abandoned by the Grand Army of the Republic, and doubtless there are ministration. No admission has been charged heretofore, and the furniture and general aspect of the rooms are just as they were when Gen, Grant was living at the cottage. Mr. Clarke proposes remaining for a time at the cottage and keeping it open in the name of the Grand Army of the Republic, hoping that further action providing for its maintenance will

be taken. We are frequently asked by some unfortunate person who has suffered the loss of a leg or arm, for the address of a reliable manufacturer of artiwhich I had from 10 years | ficial limbs, We hesitate before assuming the responsibility of recommending any special manufacturer, as the future happiness of the wearer of one of these appliances depends almost wholly saparilla I was feeling so upon its proper construction and application, discouraged with goitre From all we can learn, however, we feel justified in stating that George R. Fuller, United States Government Manufacturer (Dept. 13), of Rochester, N. Y., is one of the best known manufacturers, and can be relied upon to do thoroughly first-class work in this line, and at extremely low prices. from it all, and can truly recommend HOOD'S His business has been established for over thirtyfive years, and his financial standing is such as to make it perfectly safe to enter into a contract with him. Mr. Fuller also manufactures crutches, trusses, elastic stockings, etc., and we are assured that any who address him will receive valuable information on this subject. - Pharmaceutical Era.

THE MUSK-OX.

Some Account of the Habits of a Strange Animal which Prefers to Live within the Arctic Circle.

The exploits of Lieut. Peary and his party, who recently returned from a successful exploring expedition in Greenland, have awakened renewed interest in those regions and the animals which roam there, seldom disturbed by the invasion of white hunters. The creatures is the musk ox, an accurate picture of which is presented below.

This animal is sometimes called the musk-

Revolutionary Relies.

George Yerkes, of Philadelphia, has in his possession some interesting relies of the Revolution. They are a sword and pair of gold link cuff buttons which belonged to Gen. Howe, who commanded the British forces at the battle of Germantown. These relies have been in Mr. Yerkes's family since 1782 and be

says they are priceless. The sword, despite its age, is in good condition. It does not appear to have been used in warfare. For 60 years the blade was never out most remarkable and least known of these of the scabbard, indeed it could not be removed as it had rusted fast. Mr. Yerkes had it taken out a year ago, and shows it with great pride. The leather scabbard is mounted with silver. buffalo, from certain peculiarities wherein he On a plate at the top are Gen. Howe's initiresembles the American bison. He also has als. The sword handle is silver and tvory, a points in form and character in common with | dog's head of silver surmounting the whole.

both the sheep and the caribon, or American | The relics came into Mr. Yerkes's possession reindeer. His Latin name comes from two in this way: Previous to the battle of Germanwords, ovis and bos; signifying sheep and ox, town the British were in charge of the town

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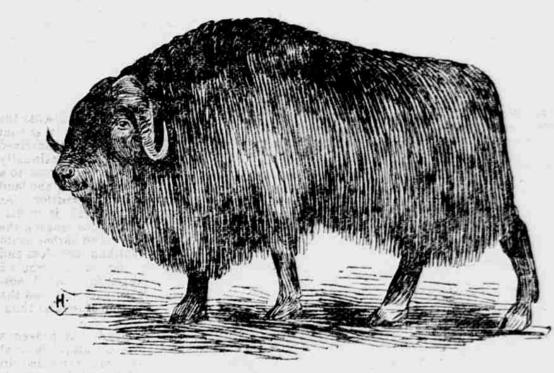
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The color of the animal is of a bright darkbrown. The hight of a full-grown musk-ox is about four and one-half feet at the shoulder. Its most striking peculiarities are the horns and bair. The former start from the middle of the forehead, close together, being barely divided from the States, or a combination of both. Com- by a narrow line, the base of the horns being rades, let us hear from you. Wake up! Let | very much flattened and covering practically the forehead, from which point they spread laterally, drooping down the side of the face to J. N. Hawk, Co. B, 76th Pa. (Keystone Zou- a line with the eye. At this point they take a aves): I was just reading in one of our County | sharp turn upward and outward. Both sexes papers an editorial which says it is estimated | have horns, but they are smaller in the female

The hair is parted down the back, hanging esting news to know how many of them are over the sides in a long, straight fringe reaching to the knee. The longest hairs grow to a length of about 20 inches. The tail is small, resembling that of the bison, and entirely concealed by the hair of the body.

The feet are cloven and widespread, very much like the hoof of the caribon. They are a pensioner, but I think it is to the best interest | remarkable for the concavity of the sole, giving of all old soldiers to have the pension roll a "roll the animal the double advantage of being able to move at great speed over icy cliffs and dig N. B. M., Cos. D and K. 55th Pa., Clearville, its food from under deep snow. It is said that Pa., having noticed that the Southern Brigadiers | it requires an experienced eye to distinguish its track from that of the caribou.

Its eye is full and of a brown color, resembling that of the bovine family. It will be noticed from the illustration that it has a welldeveloped hump at the shoulder, like that on buried at the expense of their friends; that the American buffalo, but not so distinctive as the salary of the President be reduced to \$5 in the case of the Zebu or Indian cattle. This per day; the members of the Cabinet be paid is strongly marked in the skeleton, which \$2.50, Senators \$2, and Representatives \$1.50, shows the clongated process of the spinal colwhile all the Government employes be paid at | umn at this portion of the frame. Considering the rate farm hands now receive throughout the shortness of its limbs, it moves with great the country, from 50 cents to \$1 per day; re- speed when alarmed, and, like the Rocky Mountain sheep, travels freely over the most inacessible places. Its flesh when fat may be to private, having but two grades-\$1 per day + likened in flavor to that of the caribou, and is a the highest, and 50 cents the lowest; let the favorite article of food among the natives of

It has a strongly-marked musky odor, which is present in both sexes. Unlike other muskproducing animals, the odor does not seem to be due to a secretion in any particular portion hands of the Government, and rates reduced to of the body, but is equally distributed throughone cent per mile and five cents per message. out the system. It is most apparent in the animal when in a lean condition, at which time J. W. Sheaffer, Co. D, 75th Ill., Sterling, it gives a strong and offensive taste to the

Its food consists of grasses in the Summer and lichens in the Winter. Musk-oxen are usually found in herds of from 10 to 50, led by the father of the colony, as in the case of wild horses. There are very few stuffed specimens of the animal to be seen in this country, owing, of course, to the difficulties attendant upon the chase of the animal in the inhospitable regions where he is to be found. There are three in the National Museum in Washington, and one in the Museum of Harvard University, at Cam-

Lieut. Peary's party took several specimens during their travels in the interior of Greenland, the skins of which were brought home and have been exhibited by the commander of that expedition in his recent lectures in New

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wave to cross the continent from 17th to 21st. and the next will reach the Pacific coast about the 22d, cross the Western mountains by close of the 24th, the great Central valleys from 24th to 26th, and the Eastern States about the

Precipitation will not be very great from this disturbance, but it will inaugurate the break-up of Winter north of the 40th parallel and the weather will rapidly grow warmer and springlike. By March 8th a vast amount of mountain snow will melt, and with the rains following will cause high waters. Pension Agent Orr has received a letter from | A cool wave will cross the Western mount-C. P. Clarke, who is at present in charge of the ains about the 25th, the great Central valleys Grant Memorial Cottage at Mount McGregor | the 27th and the Eastern States about March |

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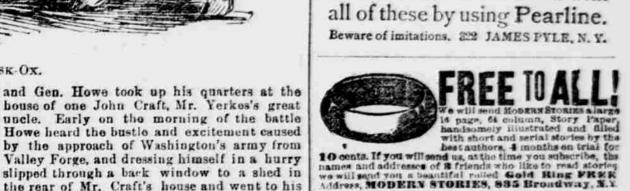
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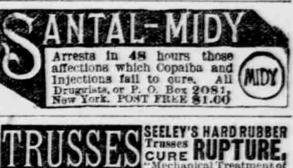
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